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Re: WT Docket No. 16-4221  
COMMENT SOUGHT ON STREAMLINING DEPLOYMENT OF SMALL CELL  
INFRASTRUCTURE  
MOBELITE, LLC PETITION FOR DECLARATORY RULING

I am writing to you today as a concerned citizen in regard to the installation of small cell towers by Crown Castle who claim the towers must be placed at a distance of one cell tower for every 12 homes within a community and within 30 feet of some homes. I have read the public notice declaration issued by the FCC which, not being a lawyer, I found to be quite dense but nonetheless was able to extract the meat of it. One of my most important conclusions is that of the level of cell tower radiation as a risk to health. Though not PROVEN to be harmful 220 scientists from 41 countries appealed to the WHO because recent studies have indicated that "EMF affects not only living organisms (but) there is evidence of harmful effects to both plant and animal life." Therefore I ask you, would you like your family and small children to become ill due to harmful waves of radiation constantly entering your home? More scientific research MUST be done BEFORE allowing such a massive amount of towers to be erected in our communities.

It seems as if the FCC has been convinced by companies such as Crown Castle who sell and install their cell tower products, and who stand to make a great deal of money, some of which will be shared with local governmental agencies across America, and have gotten the go ahead to do so before giving communities the time or knowledge of them needed to object to these projects. Laws have been placed in effect that deny affected neighborhoods the ability to object to the erection of small cell towers on a homeowner's lawn in rights-of-way that have often been adjusted that are WITHOUT any regard to safety or loss of property value but they do however favor of Crown Castle's financial alliance with Verizon - and the homeowners be damned!.

I object to this policy in conjunction with hundreds of affected neighborhoods across America. As a citizen I know how helpless one can feel when laws are passed that seem to steamroller over what should be a much more considered issue. And I know hundreds of American communities that have been chosen to expect cell towers to be erected on their properties are in legal opposition to them; and despite the law against mounting such opposition, some have been successful in having the towers taken off the planning board.

Why am I in such opposition to these thousands of small cell towers invading our neighborhoods? One of the reasons is that I feel they are premature in the technology they are supposed to deliver. That means that rapidly advancements of fiber optic technology, much of which has already been installed underground, could soon make the need for towers obsolete. This is an important consideration within neighborhoods that do not allow for the eye- sores of even telephone poles and that are already wired underground for fiber optics. In addition, though described as small, there is nothing to limit the number of attachments that could be added to each tower once erected. Who would want to live with that kind of thing on their yard?

As a member of a growing, vocal American citizenry opposed to the installation of cell towers, I implore you consider the alternatives before letting profit engineered companies convince you otherwise.

Sincerely yours -

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